

WAC 446-95-060 Updates and tracking of sexual assault kits. (1)

The use of the tracking system or a WSAK should not alter the existing procedures, rules, regulations, or legal requirements for hospitals and law enforcement agencies.

(2) The tracking system is not intended to provide "real-time" location data. There are circumstances (such as shipping times) that might create delays in location status being reported. Kits are entered into the tracking system upon arrival at their intended destination. WSAKs are not recorded as they leave a destination.

(3) To ensure proper tracking of the WSAK, the affixed unique identifier must be readable. The WSAK should be packaged separately from other evidence, and without secondary packaging.

(4) Tracking begins when a WSAK or SAK is initially entered in the tracking system.

(a) Sexual assault kits not bearing a tracking system unique identifier, located at hospitals and law enforcement agencies, shall be provided a unique identifier. This shall be affixed to the SAK and entered for use by the tracking system.

(b) The tracking system will not provide historical data for existing SAKs prior to the initial entry.

(5) Subsequent transfers/changes in location will be documented by the tracking system.

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